

Grothendieck categories and support conditions

We give examples of pairs $(\mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2)$ where \mathcal{G}_1 is a Grothendieck category and \mathcal{G}_2 a full Grothendieck subcategory of \mathcal{G}_1 , the inclusion $\mathcal{G}_2 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{G}_1$ being denoted ι , for which $R^+\iota : D^+\mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow D^+\mathcal{G}_1$ (or even $R\iota : D\mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow D\mathcal{G}_1$) is a full embedding¹. This yields generalizations of some results of Bernstein and Lunts, and of Cline, Parshall and Scott. To wit, Theorem 4 (resp. Theorem 6, resp. Theorem 7 and Corollary 8) below strengthen Theorem 17.1 in Bernstein and Lunts [4] (resp. Example 3.3.c and Theorem 3.9.a of Cline, Parshall and Scott [10], resp. Theorem 3.1 and Proposition 3.6 of Cline, Parshall and Scott [9]).

We work in the axiomatic system defined by Bourbaki in [6]. We postulate in addition the existence of an uncountable universe \mathcal{U} in the sense of Bourbaki [7]. All categories are \mathcal{U} -categories.

By Alonso Tarrío, Jeremías López and Souto Salorio [1], Theorem 5.4, or by Serpé [19] Theorem 3.13, (or more simply by Spaltenstein [20], proof of Theorem 4.5), the functor² $\mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_i}$ is defined on the whole of $D\mathcal{G}_i^{op} \times D\mathcal{G}_i$. — Consider the following conditions.

(R) : For all $V, W \in D\mathcal{G}_2$ the complexes $\mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(V, W)$ and $\mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_2}(V, W)$ are canonically isomorphic in $D\mathbb{Z}$.

(R+) : For all $V, W \in D^+\mathcal{G}_2$ the complexes $\mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_1}(V, W)$ and $\mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_2}(V, W)$ are canonically isomorphic in $D\mathbb{Z}$.

Let A be a commutative ring, let Y be a set of prime ideals of A , let \mathcal{G}_1 (resp. \mathcal{G}_2) be the category of A -modules (resp. of A -modules supported on Y). Do (R) or (R+) hold? (See Theorem 3 below for a partial answer.)

By the proof of Weibel [22], Theorem A3, (R) implies (R+)³. Moreover, if (R) (resp. (R+)) holds, then $R\iota$ (resp. $R^+\iota$) is a full embedding. Indeed we have $\mathrm{Hom}_{D\mathcal{G}_i} = H^0 \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_i}$ (resp. $\mathrm{Hom}_{D^+\mathcal{G}_i} = H^0 \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_i}$) by Lipman [18], I.2.4.2.

Let $\mathrm{Mod} A$ denote the category of left A -modules (whenever this makes sense), and let DA (resp. D^+A , resp. KA , resp. K^+A) be an abbreviation for

¹The categories \mathcal{G}_1 and \mathcal{G}_2 will come under various names, but the inclusion will always be denoted by ι .

²An example of category for which RHom can be explicitly described is given in Appendix 1.

³I know no cases where (R+) holds but (R) doesn't.

$\mathrm{D} \operatorname{Mod} A$ (resp. $\mathrm{D}^+ \operatorname{Mod} A$, resp. $\mathrm{K} \operatorname{Mod} A$, resp. $\mathrm{K}^+ \operatorname{Mod} A$), where K means “homotopy category”. (Even if \mathcal{G}_1 or \mathcal{G}_2 is **not** Grothendieck, it may still happen that $(R+)$ or (R) makes sense and holds. In such a situation the phrase “ $(R+)$ (resp. (R)) holds” shall mean “ $(R+)$ (resp. (R)) makes sense and holds”.)

Let \mathcal{A} be a sheaf of rings over a topological space X , let Y be a locally closed subspace of X , let \mathcal{B} be the restriction of \mathcal{A} to Y , and identify, thanks to Section 3.5 of Grothendieck [12], $\operatorname{Mod} \mathcal{B}$ to the full subcategory of \mathcal{A} -modules supported on Y .

Theorem 1 *The pair $(\operatorname{Mod} \mathcal{A}, \operatorname{Mod} \mathcal{B})$ satisfies (R) .*

Proof. Let $r : \operatorname{Mod} \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \operatorname{Mod} \mathcal{B}$ be the restriction functor.

Case 1. Y is closed. — We have for $V \in \mathrm{K}\mathcal{B}$

$$\left[\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\bullet}(V, ?) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\bullet}(V, ?) \circ K\iota \right] : \mathrm{K}\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathrm{K}\mathbb{Z}.$$

Since ι is right adjoint to the exact functor r , it preserves K -injectivity in the sense of Spaltenstein [20]. By Lipman [18], Corollaries I.2.2.7 and I.2.3.2.3, we get

$$\left[\operatorname{RHom}_{\mathcal{B}}(V, ?) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{RHom}_{\mathcal{A}}(V, ?) \circ R\iota \right] : \mathrm{D}\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathrm{D}\mathbb{Z}.$$

Case 2. Y is open. — We have for $V \in \mathrm{K}\mathcal{B}$

$$\left[\operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\bullet}(V, ?) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\bullet}(V, ?) \circ K r \right] : \mathrm{K}\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathrm{K}\mathbb{Z}.$$

As r is right adjoint to the exact functor ι , it preserves K -injectivity, and Lipman [18], Corollaries I.2.2.7 and I.2.3.2.3, yields $Rr \circ R\iota = \operatorname{Id}_{\mathrm{D}\mathcal{B}}$,

$$\left[\operatorname{RHom}_{\mathcal{A}}(V, ?) = \operatorname{RHom}_{\mathcal{B}}(V, ?) \circ Rr \right] : \mathrm{D}\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathrm{D}\mathbb{Z},$$

and thus

$$\left[\operatorname{RHom}_{\mathcal{A}}(V, ?) \circ R\iota = \operatorname{RHom}_{\mathcal{B}}(V, ?) \right] : \mathrm{D}\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathrm{D}\mathbb{Z}. \quad \square$$

Proposition 2 *Let X and \mathcal{A} be as above, let Y be a union of closed subspaces of X , and let $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{A}, Y)$ be the category of \mathcal{A} -modules supported on Y . Then the pair $(\operatorname{Mod} \mathcal{A}, \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{A}, Y))$ satisfies $(R+)$.*

Proof. See Grothendieck [12], Proposition 3.1.2, and Hartshorne [14], Proposition I.5.4. \square

Let (X, \mathcal{O}_X) be a noetherian scheme, \mathcal{A} a sheaf of rings over X and $\mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ a morphism, assume \mathcal{A} is \mathcal{O}_X -coherent, let Y be a subspace of X , and denote by $\text{QC } \mathcal{A}$ (resp. $\text{QC}(\mathcal{A}, Y)$) the category of \mathcal{O}_X -quasi-coherent \mathcal{A} -modules (resp. \mathcal{O}_X -quasi-coherent \mathcal{A} -modules supported on Y).

Theorem 3 *The pair $(\text{QC } \mathcal{A}, \text{QC}(\mathcal{A}, Y))$ satisfies $(R+)$. If in addition $\text{Ext}_{\text{QC } \mathcal{A}}^n = 0$ for $n \gg 0$, then (R) holds⁴.*

Let A be a left noetherian ring, let B be a ring, let $A \rightarrow B$ be a morphism, let \mathcal{G} be a Grothendieck subcategory of $\text{Mod } B$, let $(U_j)_{j \in J}$ be a family of generators of \mathcal{G} which are finitely generated over A , and let I be an Artin-Rees left ideal of A . For each V in $\text{Mod } A$ set

$$V_I := \{v \in V \mid I^{n(v)}v = 0 \text{ for some } n(v) \in \mathbb{N}\}. \quad (1)$$

Assume that IV and V_I belong to \mathcal{G} whenever V does. Let \mathcal{G}_I be the full subcategory of \mathcal{G} whose objects satisfy $V = V_I$.

Example: \mathcal{G} is the category of (\mathfrak{g}, K) -modules defined in Section 1.1.2 of Bernstein and Lunts [4], A is $U\mathfrak{g}$, B is $U\mathfrak{g} \rtimes \mathbb{C}K$, I is a left ideal of A generated by K -invariant central elements.

Theorem 4 *The pair $(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{G}_I)$ satisfies $(R+)$. If in addition $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{G}}^n = 0$ for $n \gg 0$, then (R) holds. In particular if $(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{G}_I)$ is as in the above Example and if K is reductive, then (R) is fulfilled.*

Lemma 5 *If E is an injective object of \mathcal{G} , then so is E_I .*

Lemma 5 implies Theorem 4. By Theorem 1.10.1 of Grothendieck in [12], \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{G}_I have enough injectives. We have for $V \in \text{K}^+\mathcal{G}_I$

$$\left[\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{G}_I}^\bullet(V, ?) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{G}}^\bullet(V, ?) \circ \text{K}^+ \iota \right] : \text{K}^+\mathcal{G}_I \rightarrow \text{K}\mathbb{Z}$$

and thus, by Lemma 5 and Hartshorne [14], Proposition I.5.4.b,

$$\left[\text{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}_I}(V, ?) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{RHom}_{\mathcal{G}}(V, ?) \circ \text{R}^+ \iota \right] : \text{D}^+\mathcal{G}_I \rightarrow \text{D}\mathbb{Z}.$$

This proves the first sentence of the theorem. For the second one the argument is the same except for the fact we use Hartshorne [14], proof of Corollary I.5.3.γ.b. (By the first sentence, $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{G}}^n = 0$ for $n \gg 0$ implies $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{G}_I}^n = 0$ for $n \gg 0$.) \square

⁴We regard $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{G}}^n$ as a functor defined on $\mathcal{G}^{op} \times \mathcal{G}$ (and of course **not** on $\text{D}\mathcal{G}^{op} \times \text{D}\mathcal{G}$).

Proof of Lemma 5. Let $W \subset V$ be objects of \mathcal{G} and $f : W \rightarrow E_I$ a morphism. We must extend f to $g : V \rightarrow E_I$. We can assume, by the proof of Grothendieck [12] Section 1.10 Lemma 1, (or by Stenström [21], Proposition V.2.9), that V is finitely generated over A . Since W is also finitely generated over A , there is an n such that $I^n f(W) = 0$, and thus $f(I^n W) = 0$. Choose a k such that $W \cap I^k V \subset I^n W \subset \text{Ker } f$ and set

$$\overline{V} := \frac{V}{I^k V} \quad , \quad \overline{W} := \frac{W}{W \cap I^k V} \quad .$$

Then f induces a morphism $\overline{W} \rightarrow E_I$, which, by injectivity of E , extends to a morphism $\overline{V} \rightarrow E$, that in turn induces a morphism $\overline{V} \rightarrow E_I$, enabling us to define g as the obvious composition $V \rightarrow \overline{V} \rightarrow E_I$. \square

Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex semisimple Lie algebra, let $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{b}$ be respectively Cartan and Borel subalgebras of \mathfrak{g} , put $\mathfrak{n} := [\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}]$, say that the roots of \mathfrak{h} in \mathfrak{n} are positive, let \mathcal{W} be the Weyl group equipped with the Bruhat ordering, let \mathcal{O}_0 be the category of those BGG-modules which have the generalized infinitesimal character of the trivial module. The simple objects of \mathcal{O}_0 are parametrized by \mathcal{W} . Say that $Y \subset \mathcal{W}$ is an **initial segment** if $x \leq y$ and $y \in Y$ imply $x \in Y$, and that $w \in \mathcal{W}$ lies in the **support** of $V \in \mathcal{O}_0$ if the simple object attached to w is a subquotient of V . For such an initial segment Y let \mathcal{O}_Y be the subcategory of \mathcal{O}_0 consisting of objects supported on $Y \subset \mathcal{W}$.

Theorem 6 *The pair $(\mathcal{O}_0, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ satisfies (R).*

Proof. In view of BGG [3] this will follow from Theorem 9. \square

Let A be a ring, I an ideal, and $B := A/I$ the quotient ring.

Theorem 7 *Assume that $\text{Ext}_A^n(B, B)$ vanishes for $n > 0$, and that there is a p such that $\text{Ext}_A^n(B, W) = 0$ for all $n > p$ and all B -modules W . Then the pair $(\text{Mod } A, \text{Mod } B)$ satisfies (R).*

Proof.

Step 1 : $\text{Ext}_A^n(B, W) = 0$ for all B -modules W and all $n > 0$. — By Theorem V.9.4 in Cartan-Eilenberg [8] we have $\text{Ext}_A^n(B, F) = 0$ for all free B -modules F and all $n > 0$. Suppose by contradiction there is an $n > 0$ such that $\text{Ext}_A^n(B, ?)$ does not vanish on all B -modules; let n be maximum for this property; choose a B -module V such that $\text{Ext}_A^n(B, V) \neq 0$; consider an exact sequence $W \hookrightarrow F \twoheadrightarrow V$ with F free; and observe the contradiction $0 \neq \text{Ext}_A^n(B, V) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Ext}_A^{n+1}(B, W) = 0$.

Step 2 : Putting $r := \text{Hom}_A(B, ?)$ we have $Rr \circ R\iota = \text{Id}_{DB}$. — The functor r , being a right adjoint, commutes with products, and, having an exact left adjoint, preserves injectives. Let V be in DB and I a Cartan-Eilenberg injective resolution (CEIR) of V in $\text{Mod } A$. By the previous step rI is a CEIR of $rV = V$ in $\text{Mod } B$. Weibel [22], Theorem A3, implies

(a) the complex $\text{Tot}^\Pi I \in DA$, characterized by

$$(\text{Tot}^\Pi I)^n = \prod_{p+q=n} I^{pq},$$

is a K -injective resolution (see Spaltenstein [20]) of V in $\text{Mod } A$,

(b) $\text{Tot}^\Pi rI = r\text{Tot}^\Pi I$ is a K -injective resolution of $V = rV$ in $\text{Mod } B$.

Statement (a) yields: (c) $r\text{Tot}^\Pi I = RrV$. Then (b) and (c) imply that the natural morphism $V \rightarrow RrV$ is a quasi-isomorphism.

Step 3 : (R) holds. — See proof of Theorem 1, Case 2. \square

Corollary 8 *If there is a projective resolution $P = (P_n \twoheadrightarrow \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0)$ of B by A -modules satisfying $\text{Hom}_A(P_j, V) = 0$ for all B -modules V and all $j > 0$, then pair $(\text{Mod } A, \text{Mod } B)$ satisfies (R).*

Let A be a ring, X a finite set and $e_\bullet = (e_x)_{x \in X}$ a family of idempotents of A satisfying $\sum_{x \in X} e_x = 1$ and $e_x e_y = \delta_{xy} e_x$ (Kronecker delta) for all $x, y \in X$.

The **support** of an A -module V is the set $\{x \in X \mid e_x V \neq 0\}$. Let \leq be a partial ordering on X , and for any initial segment Y put

$$A_Y := A \Big/ \sum_{x \notin Y} A e_x A,$$

so that $\text{Mod } A_Y$ is the full subcategory of $\text{Mod } A$ whose objects are supported on Y . (Here and in the sequel, for any ring B , we denote by BbB the ideal generated by $b \in B$.) The image of e_y in A_Y will be still denoted by e_y .

Assume that, for any pair (Y, y) where Y is an initial segment and y a maximal element of Y , the module $M_y := A_Y e_y$ does **not** depend on Y , but only on y . This is equivalent to the requirement that $A_Y e_y$ be supported on $\{x \in X \mid x \leq y\}$.

If $(V_\gamma)_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ a family of A -modules, let $\langle V_\gamma \rangle_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ denote the class of those A -modules which admit a finite filtration whose associated graded object is isomorphic to a product of members of the family.

Assume that, for any $x \in X$, the module Ae_x belongs to $\langle M_y \rangle_{y \in X}$.

Theorem 9 *The pair $(\text{Mod } A, \text{Mod } A_Y)$ satisfies (R).*

This statement applies to the categories satisfying Conditions (1) to (6) in Section 3.2 of Beilinson, Ginzburg and Soergel [2], like the categories of BGG modules \mathcal{O}_λ and \mathcal{O}^q defined in Section 1.1 of [2], or more generally the category $\mathcal{P}(X, \mathcal{W})$ of perverse sheaves considered in Section 3.3 of [2]. — Because of the projectivity of $M_x = Ae_x$ we have

Lemma 10 *For any $x, y \in X$ with x maximal there is a nonnegative integer n and an exact sequence $(Ae_x)^n \twoheadrightarrow Ae_y \twoheadrightarrow V$ such that $V \in \langle M_z \rangle_{z < x}$. In particular $e_x V = 0$. \square*

Proof of Theorem 9. Assume $Y = X \setminus \{x\}$ where x is maximal. Put $e := e_x$, $I := AeA$ and $B := A_Y = A/I$. By the previous Lemma there is a nonnegative integer n and an exact sequence $(Ae)^n \twoheadrightarrow A \twoheadrightarrow V$ with $IV = 0$. Letting $J \subset A$ be the image of $(Ae)^n \twoheadrightarrow A$, we have $J = IJ \subset I \subset J$, and thus $I = J$. In particular I is A -projective and we have $\text{Hom}_A(I, B) \simeq (eB)^n = 0$. Corollary 8 applies, proving Theorem 9 for the particular initial segment Y . Lemma 10 shows that $(B, Y, (e_y)_{y \in Y})$ satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 9, and an obvious induction completes the proof. \square

For any complex Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} let $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$ be the annihilator of the trivial module in the center of the enveloping algebra. Using the notation and definitions of Knapp and Vogan [17], let (\mathfrak{g}, K) be a reductive pair, let (\mathfrak{g}', K') be a reductive subpair attached to θ -stable subalgebra, let $\mathcal{R}^S : \mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g}', K') \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g}, K)$ be the cohomological induction functor defined in [17], (5.3.b), and let \mathcal{G} (resp. \mathcal{G}') be the category of (\mathfrak{g}, K) -modules on which $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$ (resp. $I_{\mathfrak{g}'}$) acts locally nilpotently. By [17], Theorem 11.225, the functor \mathcal{R}^S maps \mathcal{G}' to \mathcal{G} . Let $F : \mathcal{G}' \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ be the induced functor. By [17], Theorem 3.35.b, F is exact. It would be interesting to know if F satisfies Condition (R).

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Proof of Theorem 3

Put $\mathcal{O} := \mathcal{O}_X$ and consider the following statements:

- (a) Every object of $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{O}, Y)$ is contained into an object of $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{O}, Y)$ which is injective in $\mathrm{QC} \mathcal{O}$.
- (b) Every object of $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{A}, Y)$ is contained into an object of $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{A}, Y)$ which is injective in $\mathrm{QC} \mathcal{A}$.

We claim (a) \implies (b) \implies Theorem 3.

(a) \implies (b) : The functor $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(\mathcal{A}, ?)$ preserves the following properties:

- quasi-coherence (by EGA I [13], Corollary 2.2.2.vi),
- the fact of being supported on Y (by Grothendieck [12], Proposition 4.1.1),
- injectivity (by having an exact left adjoint). \square

(b) \implies Theorem 3 : See proof of Theorem 4. \square

Proof of (a). Let M be in $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{O}, Y)$ and let us show that M is contained into an object of $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{O}, Y)$ which is injective in $\mathrm{QC} \mathcal{O}$. We may, and will, assume that Y is precisely the support of M .

Case 1. M is coherent, (X, \mathcal{O}) is affine. — Write A for $\Gamma \mathcal{O}$, where Γ is the global section functor. Use the equivalence $\mathrm{QC} \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Mod} A$ set up by Γ to work in the latter category. Then M “is” a finitely generated A -module, and Y is closed by Proposition II.4.4.17 in Bourbaki [5]. Let $I \subset A$ be the ideal of those f in A which vanish on Y , and $\mathrm{Mod}(A, Y)$ the full subcategory of $\mathrm{Mod} A$ whose objects are the A -modules V satisfying $V = V_I$ in the sense of Notation (1). Corollary 2 to Proposition II.4.4.17 in Bourbaki [5] implies that Γ induces a subequivalence $\mathrm{QC}(\mathcal{O}, Y) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Mod}(B, Y)$. The claim now follows from Theorem 4.

Case 2. M is coherent. — Argue as in the proof of Corollary III.3.6 in Hartshorne [15], using Proposition 6.7.1 of EGA I [13].

Case 3. General case. — By Gabriel [11] Corollary 1 §II.4 (p. 358), Theorem 2 §II.6 (p. 362), and Theorem 1 §VI.2 (p. 443) we know that every object of $\mathrm{QC} \mathcal{O}$ has an injective hull and that any colimit of injective objects of $\mathrm{QC} \mathcal{O}$ is injective. The expression $M \prec M'$, shall mean “ M' is an injective hull of M and $M \subset M'$ ”. Let M' be such a hull and Z the set of pairs (N, N') with

$$N \subset M, \quad N' \subset M', \quad N \prec N', \quad \mathrm{Supp}(N') = \mathrm{Supp}(N).$$

Then Z , equipped with its natural ordering, is inductive. Let (N, N') is a maximal element of Z and suppose by contradiction $N \neq M$. By Corollary 6.9.9 of EGA I [13] there is a P such that $N \subset P \subset M$, $N \neq P$, and $C := P/N$ is coherent. Let $\pi : P \twoheadrightarrow C$ be the canonical projection and choose P', C' such that $P \prec P', C \prec C'$. By injectivity of N' there is a map $f : P \rightarrow N'$ such that $[N \hookrightarrow P \xrightarrow{f} N'] = [N \hookrightarrow N']$ (obvious notation). Consider the commuting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} N' & \hookrightarrow & N' \times C' & \hookleftarrow & C' \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow f \times \pi & & \uparrow \\ N & \hookrightarrow & P & \xrightarrow{\pi} & C \end{array}$$

We have $\text{Ker}(f \times \pi) = \text{Ker}(f) \cap \text{Ker}(\pi) = \text{Ker}(f) \cap N = 0$, i.e. $g := f \times \pi$ is monic. By injectivity of $N' \times C'$ there is a map $P' \rightarrow N' \times C'$ such that $[P \hookrightarrow P' \rightarrow N' \times C'] = [P \xrightarrow{g} N' \times C']$, this map being monic by essentiality of $P \subset P'$; in particular

$$\text{Supp}(P') \subset \text{Supp}(N') \cup \text{Supp}(C').$$

A similar argument shows the existence of a monomorphism $P' \hookrightarrow M'$ such that $[P \hookrightarrow P' \hookrightarrow M'] = [P \hookrightarrow M \hookrightarrow M']$, meaning that we can assume $P' \subset M'$. Since $(P, P') \notin Z$, this implies $\text{Supp}(P) \neq \text{Supp}(P')$, and the equalities

$$\text{Supp}(N') = \text{Supp}(N) \quad (\text{because } (N, N') \in Z),$$

$$\text{Supp}(C') = \text{Supp}(C) \quad (\text{by Case 2}),$$

yield the contradiction

$$\text{Supp}(P') \subset \text{Supp}(N) \cup \text{Supp}(C) = \text{Supp}(P) \subset \text{Supp}(P'). \quad \square$$

Appendix 1

Let k be a field and \mathfrak{g} a Lie k -algebra. For $X, Y \in Dk$ put

$$\langle X, Y \rangle := \text{Hom}_k^\bullet(X, Y).$$

Let $C := U\mathfrak{g} \otimes \bigwedge \mathfrak{g}$ be the Koszul complex viewed as a differential graded coalgebra (here and in the sequel tensor products are taken over k).

In view of Weibel [22], Theorem A3, we can define $\text{RHom}_{\mathfrak{g}}$ by setting

$$\text{RHom}_{\mathfrak{g}}(X, Y) := \langle \langle C, X \rangle, \langle C, Y \rangle \rangle^{\mathfrak{g}}.$$

(As usual the superscript \mathfrak{g} means “ \mathfrak{g} -invariants”.) Recall that the Chevalley-Eilenberg complex, used to compute the cohomology of \mathfrak{g} with values in $\langle X, Y \rangle$, is defined by $\mathrm{CE}(X, Y) := \langle C, \langle X, Y \rangle \rangle^{\mathfrak{g}}$, and that there is a canonical isomorphism $F : \mathrm{CE} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathfrak{g}}$. Let

$$\mathrm{ext}_{X,Y,Z} : \mathrm{CE}(Y, Z) \otimes \mathrm{CE}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathrm{CE}(X, Z)$$

be the exterior product and

$$\mathrm{comp}_{X,Y,Z} : \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathfrak{g}}(Y, Z) \otimes \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathfrak{g}}(X, Y) \rightarrow \mathrm{RHom}_{\mathfrak{g}}(X, Z)$$

the composition. Then the expected formula

$$\mathrm{comp}_{X,Y,Z} \circ (F_{Y,Z} \otimes F_{X,Y}) = F_{X,Z} \circ \mathrm{ext}_{X,Y,Z}$$

is easy to check.

Appendix 2

The following fact is used in various places (see for instance the proofs of Theorem I.3.3 in Cartan-Eilenberg [8], Theorem 1.10.1 in Grothendieck [12] and Lemma 4.3 in Spaltenstein [20]). We use the notation and definitions of Jech [16].

Lemma 11 *Let P be a poset, α a cardinal $\geq |P|$, and β the least cardinal $> \alpha$. Then every poset morphism $f : \beta \rightarrow P$ is stationary.*

Proof. We can assume P is infinite and f is epic. The morphism $g : P \rightarrow \beta$ defined by $gp := \min f^{-1}p$ satisfies $fg = \mathrm{id}_P$. Put $\sigma := \sup gP$. For all $p \in P$ we have $|gp| \leq gp < \beta$, implying $|gp| \leq \alpha$ for all p , and $\sigma \leq \beta$. Statement (2.4) and Theorem 8 in Jech [16] entail respectively $\sigma = \bigcup_{p \in P} gp$ and $|P| \alpha = \alpha$, from which we conclude $|\sigma| \leq \alpha$; this forces $\sigma < \beta$, that is $\sigma \in \beta$. For any $\gamma \in \beta$, $\gamma > \sigma$ we have $f\gamma = fg f\gamma \leq f\sigma \leq f\gamma$. \square

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